



By the Lords Iustices  
and Council.



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WEA S divers persons in several parts of this Kingdom commonly called Coxes or Woodkerens, have of late betaken themselves to lewd, wicked and unlawful courses, stealing, and robbing & spoiling his Majesties good and loyal Subjects, and do stand on their keeping, so as they are not amenable to Law; And whereas humble suit hath been made unto Us by divers of those persons, namely, John Collegin, Edward Calhen, James Shiren, and others of them, to be received into his Majesties mercy, they pretending that they have not had their hands in blood. And albeit We might justly proceed with severity against them, and so make them publique examples of his Majesties Justice, yet We observing his Majesties abundant clemencie and indulgence to all his Subjects, and that it is his desire, that such of them as are misled may be reduced from their evil courses, rather then to perish therein. We therefore think fit, before We proceed against those offenders with that severity which their crimes deserve, first to offer that favour to them all in general (who have not had their hands in blood) which some of them in particular have now humbly besought. & are ready thankfully to receive. And therefore We do hereby in his Majesties name strictly charge and command all and every the said persons, at, by, or before the eighteenth day of February next, to render him and themselves quietly and peaceably with their Arms and such Ammunition as they have, into the hands of the High Sheriff, or one of his Majesties Justices of Peace of the County where such person or persons are or shall be, & to continue dutiful towards his Majesty, & peaceable & inoffensive towards all his Majesties Subjects, & give good security by recognizance to be taken before one of his Majesties Justices of Peace for their so doing. And We do hereby give to them and every of them as aforesaid, the word and assurance of Us the Lords Justices and Council, that all and every of them (not being guilty of murder) who shall so render themselves within the said time as aforesaid, and shall from then forth behave themselves dutifully towards his Majesty, and peaceably and inoffensively towards all his Majesties Subjects in their Persons, Estates, Goods and Chattels, and shall give such security as aforesaid, shall have his Majesties gracious pardon for their lives for all offences (excepting murder;) And in case the said offenders or any of them shall lay hold on this his Majesties gracious mercy now in compassion of them offered by Us to be extended to them, and so render him or themselves to such Sheriff or Justice of Peace, and give such security as aforesaid, within the said time, every such Sheriff and Justice of Peace respectively, is then forthwith to certify unto Us the names and surnames, and qualities of such persons, and the places of their respective abodes before they entered on the unlawful courses wherein now they are, and transmit unto us the recognizances which shall be taken of them as aforesaid. But in case any of the said offenders shall be so wretchedly insensible of this his Majesties gracious mercy now by Us tendered to them as not to lay hold thereon, and so not render themselves within the said time to such Sheriff or Justice of Peace as aforesaid, and not put in such security as aforesaid, then and in such case We do hereby publish and declare, that all and every the said offenders which shall not so render themselves and put in security as aforesaid, and all such as shall accompany or adhere to them after the said eighteenth day of February next, and every of them, are from and after the said eighteenth day of February next, to be called, reputed and taken for notorious Rebels and Traitors against his Majesty and the Laws of this Kingdom, and accordingly to be prosecuted by all his Majesties good and loving Subjects in all hostile manner whatsoever. And We do hereby charge and command all manner of persons upon their duty of allegiance to his Majesty, that they do not presume to comfort, relieve, or abett them or any of them, or hold intelligence or correspondence with them or any of them that shall not so render themselves, or put in security as aforesaid, or any of their confederates or adherents, or give to them or any of them Meat, Drink, or Lodging, as they desire to avoid the several punishments that by the Laws of the land may be inflicted on them for such offences. And in case any of his Majesties Justices of Peace shall find due proof made before them that any person or persons shall presume to comfort, relieve or abett any of the said persons hereby declared to be taken for Rebels and Traitors as aforesaid, or any of their confederates or adherents, or hold intelligence or correspondence with them or any of them, or give to any of them Meat, Drink, or Lodging contrary to this proclamation, such Justice or Justices of Peace are to cause such persons so comforting, relieving or abetting the said persons as aforesaid, or holding intelligence or correspondence with them or any of them, or giving Meat, Drink, or Lodging to them or any of them, to be apprehended and committed to Prison, untill they give good security for their appearance at the next Assizes to be held for the County wherein such person or persons dwell or reside, to be there proceeded against according to Law. And We do hereby in like manner charge and command all his Majesties good and loving Subjects, to make diligent search and inquiry in what place any of the said persons hereby declared to be taken for Rebels and Traitors, or any of their confederates or adherents shall from time to time lurk or be received, and by all means possible to prosecute, apprehend and take the bodies of them, and to bring them, or cause them to be brought under safe custody unto the High Sheriff, or one of his Majesties Justices of Peace of the County where such person or persons shall be taken as aforesaid, for which such reward shall be given as shall be answerable to so good and acceptable a service. And towards the speedier effecting of this service, all Commanders, Officers and Souldiers of his Majesties Army, and all other his Majesties Officers and loving Subjects whom it may concern, are to be aiding and assisting as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their extreme perils. Given at the Council-Chamber in Dublin the nineteenth day of January, 1660.

Io. Armachanus. Ia. Margetson Elect. Dublin. Montgomerie. Hen. Tichborne.  
Ia. Donelan. Io. Byffe. Rob. Forth. Ia. Ware. Rob. Meredith. Theo. Iones.  
GOD SAVE THE KING.